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DISTINGUISHED SERVICE: Robert Thompson, Communist leader, is shown above when he was decorated with a D.S.C. for his loyal and courageous actions while in the Army. Communist war vets yesterday issued a vehement protest against a War Department ruling banning "subversives" in important Army positions, interpreted by the press as applying to members of the Communist Party. See Page 9.

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U. S., China Press Falsify Manchuria Situation--Soviets

MOSCOW, March 10 (UP).—Some groups in the United States and China are deliberately distorting the real situation regarding the presence of Soviet troops in Manchuria, a foreign commentator for the Soviet Navy newspaper, Red Fleet charged today. Despite a recent explanation by Marshal

Rodion Malinovsky, Soviet Commander in Chief, Red Fleet said and "despite the fact that the real situation is well known to Chinese authorities they do not try to hinder the provocative anti-Soviet campaign fanned by reactionary forces."

Moreover elements directly in charge of the campaign organized anti-Soviet demonstrations in Chungking, Red Fleet said.

"Representatives of Chinese authorities pretend they are taking all measures to halt this seditious activity but the Sin Hua (Communist News Agency) correspondent pointed out that if the authorities wanted to they could easily nip such provocations in the bud."

"Agents of the Japanese military clique and Chinese reactionaries cooperating with them did not accidentally choose Manchuria as the object of their sabotage acts."

"Japanese imperialists always regarded Manchuria as the main base for an attack on China and the Soviet Union. Now after the defeat of Japan the same groups, closely connected with Chinese reaction, endeavor to hinder Soviet-Chinese collaboration."

Chiang's Troops Attempting to Take Mukden

CHUNGKING, March 10 (UP).—Four divisions of Chinese Kuomintang reinforcements have been rushed into burning Mukden to wrest the city from Chinese Communist troops already said to control the northern and eastern suburbs, Chinese sources said today.

These reports estimated that 170,000 Communist troops may take over the Manchurian city in the wake of a sudden Soviet withdrawal to the north and south.

One division of Kuomintang troops camped on the outskirts of Mukden was moved in as soon as it became known that the Red Army was withdrawing.

Some Kuomintang sources complained that the Soviet withdrawal would facilitate Communist seizure of the city.

[Kuomintang-inspired demonstrations have vociferously demanded Soviet withdrawal.]

See Alien Hand In Polish Rift

WARSAW, March 10 (Polpress).—A charge that Vice Premier Stanislaw Mikolajczyk's Polish Peasant Party "lays claim to full control in Poland not because the masses of people will it but because it counts on intervention from abroad," was made in joint declaration of the Polish workers and Socialist parties today.

The statement, referring to the Polish Peasant Party's decision to oppose the united bloc of other government parties in the coming elections, added that "any attempt by outside groups to intervene in the elections 'would be considered an attempt against Polish sovereignty.' It warned that the 'problem of conducting elections can be decided only by Polish parties.'"

The "unhindered will of the people in the coming elections will assure a decisive victory for the democratic bloc," the statement stressed, "and will reveal the true face of the Polish Peasant Party leaders and the dishonorable role these leaders played in the difficult years of war as well as in the period of reconstruction."



Arthur Bernstein, 6, who ran away from his Brooklyn home the other night to become a motor-man. Found asleep on the subway, he got his wish.

'Price Bulge' Now Official

WASHINGTON, March 10.—The government formally announced its "price bulge - but-no-breakthrough" policy today.

"The chief difference between the new policy and the old," the United Press reported, "is in the manner in which employers may ask OPA for price relief to compensate for wage increases."

The new policy gives employers still another break. Any wage increases since V-J Day may now be "considered" by the government in awarding price boosts.

The government, however, shuns the words "price boosts," preferring to say "price relief."

"Higher wage rates (why not wage relief?) do not necessarily mean proportionately higher labor costs," the government release admitted "loss of overtime," downgrading, an improved labor force and other factors offset the effect of higher rates on labor costs in whole or in part."

OPA Gives In Again, Again And Yet Again

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, March 10.—The cost-of-living ceiling which Chester Bowles, economic stabilizer, promised to hold, has been broken through again.

Over the weekend OPA announced ceilings in textiles and meats, OPA admitted that the new textile ceiling will mean a boost in prices of shirts and housedresses but claimed that its action will help end the shirt shortage. The price advance will be 10 to 15 cents on shirts and dresses and eight cents on shorts, it was estimated.

The new meat ceilings should not affect retail meat prices, OPA said, but labor research workers disagreed. The price increases to producers and wholesalers builds up additional pressure against the price line and makes another breakthrough imminent, they said.

In the cotton textile industry, it was clear that textile manufacturers and shirt companies had won their strike for higher prices. Mill owners for months have refused to produce more than a minimum of fabric. Shirt companies have withheld their products from the market. And although the Civilian Production Administration as recently as last week denied reports of excessive shirt inventories and refrained from public criticism of textile manufacturers, the surrender of OPA confirms the reports.

OPA admitted that "much of this increase will be passed along to the consumers" but feels that it is justified because of the larger quantity of low-priced goods that will reach the market.

PRICES YES, PAY NO

Bowles on several occasions revealed that the textile industry enjoyed enormous profits, and during the war increased its profits 600 percent. Textile was one of the industries Bowles said could pay higher wages without price increases.

The reaction of the textile industry to the price increases indicated that the manufacturers were not satisfied. They still wanted more. Russell T. Fisher, president of the National Cotton Manufacturers Association said in Boston Saturday that the price grant was "too small to accomplish its purpose."

Feed Europe, But Not Through Hoover, CIO Says

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, March 10.—Declaring that the American people want to help feed Europe but don't trust Herbert Hoover to do it, Donald Henderson, president of the CIO Food, Tobacco and Agricultural Workers, today proposed a three-point program to make more food available. It included:

1. An immediate increase in current production goals in grains, oils and fats.
2. Nation-wide rationing of oils, fats and other needed foods to build up supplies for shipment abroad.
3. Renewal of price control without crippling amendments and retention of subsidies to protect domestic consumers.

In a letter to President Truman, Henderson took sharp exception to the appointment of Herbert Hoover as honorary chairman of the Famine Emergency Committee. "Such a choice cannot inspire anything but mistrust, not only among our people but also among peoples abroad," Henderson said.

"After World War I, Hoover used food as a weapon for political ends," Henderson charged. "Millions of European and Asian people died of starvation because Hoover did not approve of their desire for independent, democratic political action. Everything in Hoover's record indicates that he is prepared, if he gets the chance, to repeat that performance—this time on an even greater scale."

Henderson reminded the President that American workers also went hungry, during Hoover's term in the White House, because of his reactionary policies.

The fact that the U.S. hasn't sufficient food supplies for world famine relief is due to the government's abandonment of rationing and its repeated announcements that food production would be cut, Henderson said.

He expressed the conviction that voluntary reduction of food consumption, as proposed by Hoover, Truman and Secretary of Agriculture Anderson, would not succeed. On the contrary, it will result in "hoarding by those who can hoard and hardship for those who cannot," he said.

The American farmer and housewife will accept increased production goals and compulsory rationing, Henderson asserted, if they are assured that it will result in increased

but added, "we want assurance that our economy will result in increased shipments abroad and not make possible hoarding by unscrupulous individuals, restaurants and bakeries."

The women's organization voted "no confidence" in Herbert Hoover as head of the famine relief program.

The Battle for Vets Housing

Subsidies Can Still Be Reincorporated

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, March 10.—"What Congress did to the veterans housing program shouldn't happen to a dog house," the wits on Capitol Hill are saying. But it really isn't very funny. The coalition of Southern Democrats and Republicans emasculated the Pat-

man bill by carving out of it the provisions for ceilings on existing house and for \$600,000,000 in subsidies to encourage the production of scarce building materials. Of these, the subsidy provision is considered the most crucial.

The Patman bill—or what is left of it—now goes to the Senate committee on banking and currency. Labor and veterans' organizations are turning their attention to this committee determined to jam the subsidy provision back into the bill.

Although President Truman has committed the Administration to the subsidy principle, labor isn't counting on considerable support from that quarter.

Sen. Allen J. Ellender (D-La.) has promised to work to put the subsidy principle back in the Patman bill before it gets to the Senate floor. "The bill is utterly deficient without the \$600,000,000 subsidies," he said. Even Sen. Robert A. Taft (R-Ohio) said he was "not against all subsidies."

Labor and the veterans' organizations consider the situation is favorable for success if enough

pressure is placed first on the members of the Senate Committee, and then on all Senators.

A difficulty lies in the fact that the banking and currency committee is at present conducting hearings on the British loan. In view of the urgency of the veterans' housing issue, it was felt here that the committee might be persuaded to postpone the British loan and take up the Patman bill immediately.

The Senate will not meet Monday. When it convenes Tuesday, it will hear Sen. Tom Connally (D-Tex.) on foreign policy and the UNO meeting in London. He is expected to continue the Vandenberg-Byrnes line of "get tough with Russia" but to oppose, at this time, Churchill's proposal for an Anglo-American military alliance.

The Senate will act on S7, a bill dealing with administrative procedure of Federal agencies on Tuesday and is then expected to take up the minimum wage bill about Thursday.

The measure was reported out of committee by a 12 to 6 vote last week. The minority report, signed by four Republicans and two Democrats, indicated there will be a sharp fight on the floor. The minority recommended a 55-cent minimum instead of the 65 cents provided in the bill. They would also eliminate various groups of low-paid workers from its benefits.

The CIO has urged its members to "wire your Senators to support S 1349 at full 65-cent rate, complete coverage."

The House has a full schedule this week and will act on a number of bills, including HR 5356 to give US ships to China, and HR 4512 to promote research on mental illness.

The House Committee on Banking and Currency will continue hearings on price control through next week, hearing opponents this week.

The House Ways and Means Committee will continue hearings on Social Security.

French Press Says Allies Aid Franco Purchase of Armaments

SOVIET PRESS WARNS:

Nazi Armies Maintained In British and U. S. Zones

MOSCOW, March 10 (UP).—Soviet commentators today complained of the maintenance of "fascist" armies in the American and British occupation zones in Germany. American officials are slow in prosecuting German capitalists, they said. Red Fleet said that the "progressive press" was alarmed because fascist army units continued to exist in the American and British zones in Germany despite persistent protests.

"Neither the Polish nor the Yugoslav units commanded by fascist officers have been disbanded," "Red Fleet" said. "The preservation of German cartel and monopolies and fascist army units are all links in the same chain."

"Anglo-American reactionary circles are not interested in the extermination of all vestiges of fascism, the stamping out of Nazi agencies and the liquidation of the base of Nazism."

POOR GERMANS

"Testimony to this effect is afforded by the sympathy campaign in the United States in behalf of poor Germans, carried on by pro-German circles in the United States. . . . All these organizations are led by Naziphiles waging open propaganda for revision of the Potsdam Declaration."

A Pravda commentator attacked "the extraordinary slowness in the American indictment of German finance kings and magnates."

Arrest of the financial heads of Nazism, Pravda said, is only the first step in liquidating European Fascism.

"There are still not a few places in Europe and beyond Europe which are harboring war criminals," Pravda said. "Spain and Portugal do not need mention. But Latvian fascists have found sanctuary in Denmark and Yugoslav fascists in Trieste."

"Generals and officers of Gen. Wladislaw Anders' (Polish Army of bandits) feel themselves at home in Italy while their civilian representatives behave similarly in London. The machinations of fascist elements in England cause alarm to English public opinion."

Rally to Protest L. I. Slayings

City Councilman Stanley M. Isaacs, will speak at a public meeting to protest the recent murders of Negro citizens in Freeport, L. I. and Tennessee, tomorrow (Tuesday) night, at the Henry Hudson Hotel.

The Literature Division of the Independent Citizens Committee of the Arts Sciences and Professions, sponsors the meeting.

Henrietta Buckmaster, author of "Deep River," Robert Gwathmey, Southern artist, and Jose Ferrer, actor-producer and Mrs. Minnie Ferguson, widow of one of the murdered GI's will also speak.

An up to the minute report of the Freeport murder of two Negro GI's and the legal fight will be presented by Stanley Faulkner, counsel for the Ferguson family.

A Cuban Looks At Yankee Baseball
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50,000 OF ANDERS' TROOPS FOUGHT UNDER SWASTIKA

LONDON, March 10 (ALN).—New disclosures about the activities of emigre Polish groups supported by British taxpayers have caused considerable uneasiness here.

Contrary to Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin's claim that Polish troops under the anti-Soviet commander, General Anders, fought bravely at El Alamein, it is learned that out of the 150,000 Poles now stationed in Italy, at most 25,000 fought with the British.

About 50,000 fought with Nazis and were captured by the British.

DOUBLED IN SIZE

A recent inquiry conducted by Polish military headquarters in London, in charge of General Anders' force, disclosed that the troops "are of poor military quality and are

heavily indoctrinated with Nazi ideas." Whereas Anders' army at the end of the war had one infantry and one armored brigade, it now includes two infantry, one armored division and one armored brigade, all over strength.

This has been secured by recruiting prisoners of war and emigres from other European and Balkan states who are bitterly opposed to the new democratic governments in their home countries and who actively engaged in maintaining contact with subversive organizations carrying on sabotage and terror in Yugoslavia, Poland, Hungary and elsewhere.

In London, emigre Polish groups continue their work, supported by subsidies from the British Treasury.



The son of Sgt. Alvin York of World War I fame, Pvt. Woodrow Wilson York, disembarking at San Francisco after service in the Pacific.

Left Merger Set in East Zone

BERLIN, March 10 (UP).—The Socialist-Democratic central committee announced today that a proposed vote on merger in the Soviet zone had been called off because district leaders and officials there already had spoken in favor of it. It is expected that the merger will be announced formally in the Soviet zone late next month.

There will be no vote in the zones of the western allies because Social-Democratic leaders there have strongly opposed any union with the Communists.

LONDON, March 10 (UP).—Radio Moscow last night quoted Paris press reports that the Spanish Government was trying to negotiate the purchase of armaments in Switzerland, which are to be delivered with Allied permission.

The Moscow broadcast quoted the newspaper, Ce Soir, as reporting the Franco Government had already bought 50,000 shells of 20 millimeter caliber from the Hispano-Suiza plant in Switzerland.

"The shells cannot be sent to Spain directly because of the closing of the frontier with France, Franco's charge d'affaires in Switzerland has applied to the Allied powers in Italy for permission to send the shells by way of Italy and the Mediterranean. It is reported the Allies allegedly replied in the affirmative," Moscow quoted Ce Soir as saying.

"This truly scandalous sending of arms takes place at a moment when Franco has begun to enroll into the Foreign Legion 10,000 Nazi soldiers who crossed the Pyrenees when the German Army was routed," Moscow said.

The broadcast quoted a Geneva newspaper as saying the Hispano-Suiza agreement was only one of several contracts for armaments that Spanish representatives were negotiating in Switzerland.

MOSCOW, March 10 (UP).—The trade union organ Trud said it was "time to put an end to the conciliatory attitude of peace loving nations toward the existence of this bulwark of fascism in Europe"—the Franco regime in Spain.

"Only the abolition of the bloody Franco regime and the return of Spain to democracy can really eliminate the menace which fascism in Spain constitutes for universal peace," Trud argued.

Japanese Cheer Kamikaze Film

TOKYO, March 10 (UP).—An American soldier suggested in a letter received by Stars and Stripes today that the Japanese be shown more films explaining why Japan was defeated, after protesting the reaction of a Japanese audience to a newsreel of Kamikaze planes in action.

Sgt. Ira Marks said he and a buddy attended a showing of an American newsreel at a Japanese theatre and when a scene from the Okinawa battle was on the screen, showing a Japanese suicide plane crashing into an American destroyer, the audience rose in a body and burst into an uproar of cheers and banzai yells.

Columbia Arrests Continue As Negroes Dig Out of Rubble

By HARRY RAYMOND

COLUMBIA, Tenn., March 10.—Periodic arrests of Negroes are continuing here. Friday I saw law enforcement officers strut into the wrecked but peaceful Negro business section and hustle two young men off to jail. "Attorney General Bumpus wants to see you," the white officers barked as they took the two off to the jail house for "questioning."

The new arrests followed a statement by Bumpus and Sheriff J. J. Underwood that the "situation is becoming brighter" and "everything on the streets is extraordinarily quiet."

PROMISE MORE ARRESTS

But you can be sure, the statement said, they'll be more arrests. They may come tomorrow, or it may be a week.

The last of 101 Negroes, arrested two weeks ago when the colored community fought off with shotguns an attempt to lynch a Negro Navy War veteran, were released Wednesday on bond and face charges of attempt to commit murder and carrying weapons.

"At noon Friday I saw highway patrolman Flo Fleming, his right hand on his pistol but, and Constable Malcolm Grey moving through the area quizzing Negroes. They stopped many leading Negro citizens, most of whom were recently released on bail, and questioned them concerning whereabouts of other Negroes."

BEUISED HAND

Patrolman Fleming is the brother of radio repairman William Fleming, who struck Mrs. Gladys Stephenson, mother of Jimmy Stephenson, the veteran sought last week by the would be lynchers. Jimmy had struck back at William Fleming in defense of his mother.

Flo Fleming, candidate for sheriff in the next county election, was in the van of the highway patrol detachment that rampaged through

the one-block-long business section, shooting, wrecking and carrying off quantities of Negro property.

One of patrolman Fleming's hands is still bandaged. He hurt it on Negroes in the county jail.

The Negro merchants were still digging out of the rubble. The wreckage is so bad that few are yet able to conduct any trade. And those few are doing only a bare minimum of business.

SERVED THEIR COUNTRY

I have been able to ascertain that at least 60 percent of the Negroes arrested and held on serious charges are war veterans with European and Pacific battle records.

One defendant, the status of whose charges I have been unable to learn, is John Dudley, 75, only living Spanish-American war veteran in Maury County. He was held in jail 24 hours. He heard a state highway patrolman say "I'll beat the brains out of you. . . ." Dudley was arrested by patrolman Church.

I spent the entire day checking on the property damage inflicted by the lynch-bent white men. It is yet impossible accurately to estimate the money-value of the destroyed and stolen property.

A Nashville photographer, employed by the National Association for Advancement of Colored People, is also on the scene. He has photographs are expected to be used as evidence for the defense in the mounting number of cases against Negroes. Police ordered the cameraman out of the area. He challenged the cops' authority to remove him and continued his work.

FBI agents are still on the area. They have questioned nearly every Negro arrested during the assault.

Midwest Aroused; Send Groups to D. C.

CHICAGO, March 10. Packing-house workers plan to send a mass delegation to Washington tomorrow to protest the anti-Negro violence in Tennessee.

Department meetings were held last week in many big plants to hear reports of the reign of terror which swept through the Tennessee town. A meeting of the CIO Packinghouse District Council was also summoned to take action.

The Columbia Emergency Defense Committee is holding a meeting at Wendell Phillips High School today to back the movement.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—The National Negro Congress, in a telegram to Attorney Tom Clark, demanded that the policemen responsible for the deaths of two Negroes in Columbia, Tenn., be punished to the fullest extent of the law.

The selection of an "all white" jury, was described by Charles S. Hill, NNC chairman as "further evidence of the utter disregard of the civil rights of the Negro people of Columbia."

The NNC in a call to all people of America asks that thousands of letters and telegrams be sent to President Truman and Attorney General Tom Clark in Washington and Gov. Jim McCord at Nashville,

THE ELIZABETH, N. J. PHELPS DODGE STRIKE

'The Company Script Calls for Violence'

By DOROTHY LOEB

ELIZABETH, N. J., March 10.—The script called for violence and the company had its movie cameras ready to catch the action.

This all happened outside the gates of the Phelps Dodge Copper Products Co. here—one of the nation's Big 3 copper trust which has been trying to provoke CIO pickets into bloodshed and frame the union leaders.

But the strikers are hep to the company's plans and war veterans among the strikers dramatically brought home the issue to the community by selling apples in the business section, reminding passerby that if the company wins the old Hoover days are right around the corner again.

Here is the score at present:

The company, whose 2,000 workers have been on strike since Jan. 4, calls its supervisors to try to break the line under penalty of dismissal, then appeals to the courts for an injunction against mass picketing when they don't get through.

But supervisory employees aren't yielding to company intimidation. Many of the foremen are members of the Foremen's Association of America and consider themselves union men. They don't tackle the line. They don't respond to company summonses, precludes to picket line fracas with corporation-hired cameras grinding away.

As a result, at least 40 foremen from this central fabricating plant, largest single copper shop of its kind in the world, have been fired so far.

LIGHT ON TRUST PLOT

The strike here dramatically illustrates the company foremen-type violence-injunction action which is being used by General Electric, Westinghouse and other companies in Jersey in collaboration with state and city governments and the courts.

Phelps Dodge, which defied a War Labor Board directive, forcing the strike, managed to get a few foremen down to the picket line a few weeks ago, had movie cameras posted to record the scene when strikers kept them out.

A day or two later, the union was suddenly served with a temporary injunction issued by Vice-Chancellor Alfred Stein without even advance notice to the strikers that an application from the company was under consideration.

The court order, limiting picketing to five, was dishied out just like that with no opportunity for the union to be represented.

Since then, there has been formal court argument on a company motion to have the injunction made permanent. The union was repre-

sented that time. But get this: Vice-Chancellor Bigelow heard both sides three weeks ago. Up until this date, he has not yet rendered a decision on whether the injunction, issued without notice, shall be permanent. He's sitting on the case, while the company waits to see if it can't starve the workers into submission.

DEFY INJUNCTION

However, like other injunctions of the type, this isn't being observed. Bert Eckstein, strike committee member from the tinning department, told me the union limited picketing for a few days, then, on advice of some of the foremen threw a mass picket line back in front of the gates of the big sprawling plant. Nobody crossed the line that day and nobody has tried since.

Meanwhile, Phelps Dodge is keeping its eye on the Bloomfield, N. J., Westinghouse injunction fight. PD strikers, backing union brothers over there, went to court and saw three PD representatives in the courtroom, taking notes on what happened in the Westinghouse case. Probability is they'll use that as a guide for themselves, says Eckstein.

Charlie MacLarent, white-haired, blue-eyed, square-jawed, husky machine shop welder, leader of the strike, explained its issues to me.

Phelps Dodge only signed one contract with the union since a strike forced recognition in 1941 that was good for the year in which it was signed, he told me. That was in 1943. The last contract expired in May, 1944. It had been signed in August, 1944, after it expired, on War Labor Board insistence.

Last October, the WLB handed down a directive providing contract terms, maintenance of membership and grievance machinery.

The company defied that and boycotted a hearing held to act on



A Reward for Long Service:

Veterans in the employ of the Phelps Dodge Copper Products Co., Elizabeth, N. J., forced out on strike to compel compliance with a War Labor Board decision and for a \$2 a day pay raise. Average pay is 87 cents an hour now. There are 250 women, 500 Negroes, among the strikers. Most old-timers in the picture served more than 20, some as many as 37, years. Left to right, they are: Adolph Kuc, 30 years; Steve Dzrobak, 13 years; Mike Gilbert, 23 years; John Somansky, 37 years; Frank Lech, 27 years; John Gawlowski, 32 years; Marion Boykin, 23 years; Frank Jones, 23 years; Dorrie Cummings, 27 years; William F. Brown, 27 years.

its defiance. Wylie Brown, president, wrote that the war was over and as much as told the board to go to hell. He said PD wanted to get back to "free collective bargaining" without government intervention.

In November, the company notified the union that it withdrew recognition. Management abrogated the old contract, began penalizing stewards handling grievances, transferred workers without regard to seniority.

There was one negotiating meeting. The company proposed a whole series of wage cuts and elimination of maintenance of membership and checkoff. It offered nothing. U. S. Conciliators tried to help. They got nowhere. Mayor T. Kirk stepped in. PD replied that "outsiders" should keep out.

HALT OUTPUT

That's what led to halting operations in the huge hot rolling mill which processes copper, hot rolling bars and fabricates them for manufacture into wire. Radio companies, electrical manufacturers can't get a bar of copper from PD while this strike goes on. And this strike is

part of a national stoppage of all ore mines, refineries and fabricating plants owned by the com-

pany all over this land.

Some of the 5,000 employees are represented by UE, like those here, others by CIO Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, but the two unions have coordinated their policy and virtually all locals are now out on the picket line.

Demands of strikers here are for enforcement of the WLB directive, a \$2 a day wage increase and a contract continuing other benefits.

The company is hated by the community and strikers are getting good support and enough contributions for relief so that they can make distributions for their people to take home. Veterans are playing a big part. A few sold apples in the business section here with signs reminding passerby that Hoover days would be back if the strike wasn't won. They collected \$100 that way. Others picketed company main offices at 40 Wall St. An active Wives Committee brought 72 women and children down to 40 Wall. They picketed throughout one rainy day.

Phil Lopez, 24 years in the shop, tells how he worked there when pay was 18 and 20 cents an hour and the work 12 hours. There were crooked kickbacks so that a guy had to borrow \$5 from the foreman and pay back \$6 to hold his job, he recalls. "We're fighting to keep these days from coming back," he says. That's what the strike's about.

VETS' VOICE



The Men Who Fought
Hate Plotters of War III

By JOSEPH CLARK

GIs had strong opinions about the war they were fighting. And they had a very strong opinion about another war. In their book there was no greater criminal than a man who would willfully go about starting another war.

One of the lads who fought with the 84th Division in the Bulge and still bore a nasty shrapnel scar on his face was leaning over the rail on the ship coming home, talking about his baby son.

"You know," he said, "there's only one thing worse than going through another war yourself. That would be to stay at home while your son went through something you know too much about."

Now that son of his is just a few months older. But already they are trying to head us into another war. This time an atomic war. This time a war that would transform the whole world into another Hiroshima.

So let's pay some heed to what returning GIs think about Churchill's call to war against the Soviet Union. What do they think about the President of the United States sponsoring Churchill's speech and giving his sanction to British American imperialist collaboration?

Battling the breeze between battles and in bull sessions after the war soldiers made it pretty plain what they believed. They had no use for German or Japanese imperialism. They knew we had to fight them for our very existence. But they had a sneaking suspicion that Hitler and Hirohito could have been stopped before they embroiled the world in war.

GIs hated to think of themselves as suckers in the awful business of war. They bristled at the very thought that some big shots were making money out of the bloody business.

They were willing to fight for American interests against fascism. But if you so much as suggested that America should fight for empire or profit, for colonies or oil, they would be ready to boil you in oil.

And that's exactly what Churchill

wants us to do. Meanwhile Truman mumbles in Missouri that these are "constructive things."

They want us to gang up on the Soviet Union? Why? Because Royal Dutch Shell and Standard Oil are interested in the oil resources of Iran. Because the big business interests of Britain and the U. S. want a free hand for expansion in the Near East, the Balkans, the Far East and wherever they can make a filthy dollar or pound.

At the last meeting of the UNO Soviet delegates stood up for the people of Indonesia, Greece, Syria and Lebanon.

That infuriated the Tories and imperialists here and in Britain. So they started the spy scare against the Soviet Union. They got "tough" with the Soviet Union, in the speeches of Vandenberg, Byrnes, Churchill. They're getting tough and we'll have to do the fighting.

You can't kid the GI about who killed most Nazis. As they went through German homes they found that there wasn't a home in Germany where someone hadn't been killed on the eastern front. They know that we won the war because we were allied with the Soviet Union and we withstood all Nazi attempts to destroy that unity.

The worst thing about the Truman-Churchill snow job is that it leads straight to World War III.

Georgia Congresswoman Battles the Rankin Mob

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, March 10.—Mrs. Helen Douglas Mankin (D-Ga.) has only recently become a member of the House, but it is already definite that she will not go along with the coalition of Republicans and Southern Democrats which has blocked veterans' housing and other progressive legislation.

During her first day on the floor, she voted four times against Rep. John E. Rankin (D-Miss) and the House un-American Committee. Since then she has been consistently right on the housing fight, which has been the only major issue before the House.

Mrs. Mankin admits some doubts about permanent FEPC legislation, but that doesn't mean her position is identical with that of Rankin and Bilbo. She says she might be persuaded to support it, and progressives think she will. On other issues, such as housing, minimum wage, polltax, education and price control, labor considers Mrs. Mankin solid.

This should not be surprising. During ten years in the Georgia Assembly, Mrs. Mankin supported

the State application of the New Deal program, and thus won the backing of CIO-PAC and the Negro people of Atlanta.

In fact, it was the vote of the overwhelming Negro precinct of Atlanta that elected Mrs. Mankin. There were 17 candidates for the House seat made vacant by the appointment of former Rep. Robert Ramspeck to a judgeship, and toward the end it appeared that Thomas L. Camp, Ramspeck's secretary, had won. But then the returns from the Negro precinct were brought in. Mrs. Mankin had received 956 votes, or 99 percent of the precinct's total, which gave her a plurality of 792 over Camp.

MUST FIGHT FOR SEAT

Negroes were able to vote for Mrs. Mankin because this was a special election and did not come under the white primary law. In September, Mrs. Mankin must fight for her seat in the primaries.

Whether or not Negro voters will be barred will depend on the disposition of the white primary issue

now before the courts. Although it has been declared unconstitutional, it is still to be argued before the Federal Court of Appeals in New Orleans.

Oust Hoover NCPAC Urges

The National Citizens Political Action Committee yesterday called upon President Truman to replace Herbert Hoover as U. S. representative investigating famine in Europe.

NCPAC charged that "there is every reason to believe . . . that Hoover will use food as a weapon against democratic forces in Europe." The committee urged appointment instead of someone in whom the people of America and the world can have confidence.

Rationing of wheat and any other foods necessary to ensure feeding starving peoples was also urged by NCPAC.

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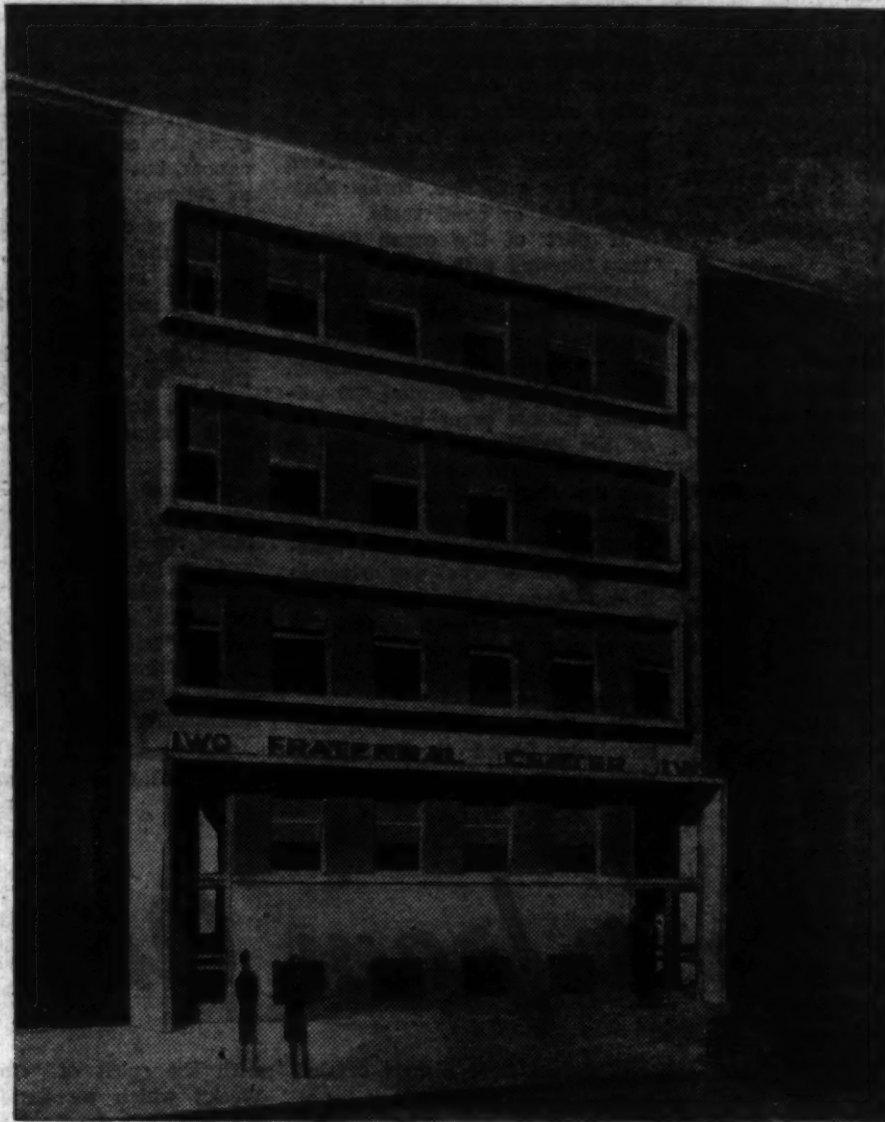


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How Nature Erects New Islands

By PETER STONE

Since Feb. 14, a new island has been rising from the sea, 200 miles off the coast of the Japanese island Honshu. The correspondents report that the Pacific Ocean in this particular area has become stained with mud.

The island, which is visible for a distance of 10 to 15 miles, is mostly black on the surface, and there is a black gray smoke pallor which hangs over it. Observers on a British warship estimated its size as a quarter of a mile long, and one-eighth mile wide. The island is thought to be of volcanic origin.

All islands are classified in accordance with their origin into the following groups: continental, coral and volcanic.

Continental islands became separated from the mainland because the land dividing the two bodies was washed away or worn down by weather, erosion and sea water.

That these islands were formerly linked with the mainland was proved by the fact that they consist of mountains of the same nature and have the same plant and animal life. The water space dividing them is usually not deep. Great Britain and Ireland are related to the European continent in this manner.

Coral islands are formed by small oceanic living organisms—coral polyps—which live in large groups or colonies in the warm sea areas. After the death of the coral polyps, lime skeletons remain.

Other polyps continue to live on these skeletons, and in turn leave their skeletal remains atop the original remains. The coral construction continues to grow, often reaching great heights, and coming out above the surface of the water. Such construction along the coastline, forms large sandbanks or coral reefs.

If part of the ocean bottom rises together with this coral construction, a new coral island is formed. Such islands consist very often of a ring-like strip of land encircling a shallow lake or lagoon.

Most of the estimated 670 volcanic islands occur in the areas of the Pacific but a few are in the Mediterranean basin. Etna, on the Sicilian coast began its long geologic history by erupting from a Mediterranean Bay. Vesuvius represents what was originally a volcano on the ocean floor. Pantalleria, the island that was so heavily bombarded from the air during the war, had a similar origin.

Hawaii, the greatest volcanic mountain island in the world, rises nearly 14,000 feet above sea

level, and is 30,000 feet above the ocean bottom. It has two volcanoes, Mauna Loa, and Mauna Kea. Only the former is active. It last erupted in 1926.

Volcanic islands like Hawaii and St. Helena (in Europe), are formed by lava during underwater eruptions of volcanoes. The new lands which appeared above the water service, are actually the peaks of volcanic cones. There are differences of opinion among geologists as to the cause of volcanoes, but the general picture is as follows:

We live on a hard stony cover called the lithosphere, which is in turn moving into the many fissures and "cracks," of the stony lithosphere. A study of mountains and volcanoes has shown that there is tremendous heat and pressure present as the scientists went deeper into the earth's bowels.

Fissures in the lithosphere caused by earth movements will bring the terrifically hot magma and metal core to the surface. The metals of the central core penetrate the magma, and give rise to "veins." The rich deposits of these important raw materials occur in the lower strata of our lithosphere.

The liquid magma lying under the earth's crust rises rather high



In these cracks for the simple reason that the stony lithosphere is pressing down heavily on the magma. Submarine volcanoes—volcanic eruptions occurring on the ocean floor—don't happen often. When they do, the surface of the sea becomes violently agitated, and there is a copious discharge of steam and many of fragments of pumice and ash float around the new land formation.

The new island rising off Hon-

shu is another proof that this globe has not always worn the same aspects which it bears at present, and that even the present surface is not permanent, and undergoes constant change. The studies of geology have proved that there is a change on every landscape, and that continents did not simply exist since "the beginning of time," but are the result of many mutations and evolutionary developments.

Letters from Our Readers

Nurses Association Violates Creed

New York.

Editor, Daily Worker:

In the interest of nursing care for the community, I believe the following should be brought to the attention of the general public.

During the 1945 session of the State Legislature, the New York State Nurses Association went on record as opposing Governor Dewey's Anti-Discrimination Bill (published in the December issue of the American Journal of Nursing, page 1043).

As nurses have always carried on their duties in nursing the sick, regardless of race, creed or color of the patient, I should like to know who the leaders of the nursing associations are, who can sit in high places, and decide who shall and who shall not nurse the sick? I should like also to know upon what grounds this opposition was based?

Of the Bill had failed to pass, was it the intention of this organization to discriminate against certain nurses because of their nationality, creed or color? This would certainly not be in keeping

with the spirit of "Brotherhood Week" which we just observed, and certainly does not reflect the humanitarian standards which the nursing profession has always represented.

REGISTERED NURSE.

Social Democracy Preserves Imperialism

Crivitz, Wisconsin.

Editor, Daily Worker:

In the February 24th issue of the Worker, in an article entitled, "Communist Call to Action," you say, "strengthen the American-Soviet-British coalition." It is

true that in our struggle against current reactionary attempts in Britain and America to smash the coalition, we must do everything to strengthen and consolidate it.

However, we must denounce the British and U. S. governments in not fulfilling the decisions of the Big Three. We must, together with the British workers, conduct a sharp fight against social democracy. Social democrats are once again serving as a means of preserving the capitalist system.

Lenin said, "We cannot defeat imperialism without defeating social democracy." J. POSKA.

Truman and Churchill Foment New Wars

New York.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Mr. Harry S. Truman has now conclusively demonstrated his complete divorce from the policies of FDR—policies which he once swore to uphold. With his knowledge and consent and in his official presence, the arch-tory Winston Churchill sent out his passionate message of comradeship to all the defeated fascists of the world—a message calling for an assault upon the citadel of a new kind of civilization.

This speech, made with Truman's acquiescence, proves that Anglo-American imperialism is fast unlearning the lessons of the war and is once again girding itself for new adventures. Both Truman and Churchill stand self-condemned of fomenting international discord and as wicked nullifiers of the principles upon which the UNO was conceived.

A. G.

Questions for Dorothy Thompson

New York.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Unable to bear quietly the burden of responsibility thrust upon me by Milton Howard's article, "We Saw the Dog Kennels of Dachau," I feel obliged to direct some remarks to Dorothy Thompson who is attempting to whitewash the Nazis.

Has she ever read an account of such cruelty as the story of Dachau? She must have. To lie and cover up for Nazi fiends, she must know the facts she takes so much trouble to refute.

Is she unmarried? Has she never had a baby? Can she bear of babies being torn apart and continue her horrible role? Is she completely devoid of human feelings?

As a mother, I dedicate myself to render Miss Thompson and her kind harmless to my child.

ANITA FEINBLATT.

America's 'Jr. Partner' and the USSR

By ROB F. HALL

WASHINGTON, March 10.—Reactionary forces in America are attempting to precipitate a crisis in Soviet American relations to prepare the ground now for isolating the Soviet Union in the coming meeting of the Security Council, according to well-informed sources here.

This explains the timing of the barrage of anti-Soviet speeches from public figures, including Churchill, and the hostile statements of the U. S. State Department, they say. The British are given credit for planning the strategy, but the basic aims are shared both by President Truman and the Republicans.

Control of atomic energy, the Spanish situation, and the principle of unanimity—known as the veto power—will be issues at the Security Council meeting, and American-Anglo capital want them decided against the Soviet Union. For this reason a motion will be made to censure Russia, either on Iran or Manchuria, or both, and the anti-Soviet clamor is considered essential groundwork for such action.

These courses claim to see a difference between the position of

Secretary of State Byrnes and Truman, with the latter supporting the more openly anti-Soviet and pro-British position of Adm. William H. Leahy. Whether this is true or not, the most reactionary circles here are speculating on a reported rift between Byrnes and Truman.

Their spokesman, the Evening Star columnist, Constantine Brown, jumped the gun several days ago with the announcement that Byrnes would shortly be replaced by Gen. Marshall. Truman's denial did not lay to rest all the rumors of his differences with Byrnes.

The conflict between American and British imperialism is an important factor without which the present situation cannot be understood.

Virtually all sections of American imperialism are agreed that Britain shall be taken in as a junior partner. The differences arise on the issue of how much the junior partner shall share in the world loot.

One section, represented by Truman, is disposed to deal fairly "generously" with the British, confident of the overbearing strength of American capital. They are willing to strengthen the tottering empire with the \$3,000,000,000 loan in return for the multitude of services which the British imperial outposts will render the U. S., both commercially and militarily, especially against the Soviet Union.

This fits nicely into the overall aims of U. S. policy, which one

official described off the record as (1) drawing a line through central Europe to delimit Soviet influence; (2) block Soviet influence in the Near East by supporting British hegemony; and (3) maintaining a monopoly of Asia for the U. S.

The other section of American imperialism feels that these basic aims can be accomplished without any favors to the British. They would replace British imperialism in the Near East and foreclose on the heavily mortgaged British empire throughout the world.

It is this group which opposes the loan to Britain and which had its own special reasons for criticizing the Churchill speech. Sen. Taft, who is an example of this group vigorously spoke against an Anglo-American military alliance, but praised the anti-Soviet sections of the Churchill oration.

If our informants are correct, Byrnes is not entirely at home in either group. He has his own anti-Soviet animus, but he is fearful of too close ties with Britain. Nor does he accept an extreme anti-British position. So far, the result has been that Byrnes, criticized by Truman for "appeasing Russia," has tried to compete with Vandenberg in Soviet baiting and has strengthened the play of the British Foreign Office.

This is significant because most of Washington believes that the strategy of the anti-Soviet campaign was laid down in London.

The manner in which the atomic spy scare was broken via Canada tends to support this theory. Certainly, Britain is making an obvious bid not only for U. S. loans, but for U. S. support in general, and anti-Soviet hysteria in America enlarges the supposed importance of Britain as an ally against the "Red menace." Any one with access to the British Embassy would laugh at the suggestion that Churchill spoke without the knowledge and agreement of the Labor government.

Whether or not it is true that Whitehall planned the strategy, it is also obvious that Truman was fully in the know on what the Tory leader would say, and that he engineered the situation to get maximum attention for the speech. The junior partner may be acting as the brain trust, but the senior partner, American imperialism, is calling the play.

Truman and the British apparently feel that the present campaign will succeed in whipping up sufficient anti-Soviet hysteria among the people that they can put the squeeze on Russia in the coming Security Council meeting. But they have not reckoned with the good sense of the people.

Several Senators expressed the opinion off the record that the anti-Soviet crowd "have overplayed their hand" and that there will be country-wide reaction against the campaign. Certainly, Truman and his Administration will back down only if they feel the pressure of the people.



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Coddling Profiteers

THE blackmailing profiteers are scoring one victory after another in their fight on price control.

First, the government established the "principle" that their swollen profits were sacred by tying price increases to wage increases.

Then they succeeded, in the House, in crippling the Wyatt veterans' housing program by knocking out the building materials' subsidy and the price ceilings on old houses.

In the Senate, they put a crimp in price control enforcement by getting OPA's deficiency appropriation cut in half.

Now Chester Bowles has bowed to the blackmail of the clothing industry. He has agreed to jack up clothing prices substantially.

Is this what the country wants? Of course not! In poll after poll the people have rejected the false "theory" that higher prices will increase production. Overwhelmingly, they insist on strict price control.

How, then, do the profiteers get away with it? The answer is that the monopolies have powerful, exceedingly active, highly-organized pressure groups. The activity and organization of the people are weak.

A peculiar feeling exists that OPA will certainly be extended beyond June 30 because so many people want it. While that may be, the probability is that it will be seriously crippled by amendments unless public apathy is overcome. For instance, the reactionary GOP-polltax bloc is gunning for the subsidy program, without which price control will be shot.

But don't underrate the arrogance of the monopolies and their congressional agents. How incredible that arrogance is can be seen from their action on the Wyatt housing program. With millions of our vets homeless, they had the amazing gall to block, in the name of profits, the one proposal that could have at least partially given our ex-soldiers places to live.

To rescue the Wyatt program in the Senate and to secure continuance of OPA without crippling amendments will require the greatest organization of public pressure.

Proved Doubly Right

IT SEEMS that it was Cardinal Spellman who suggested Mr. George Timone as a likely candidate for the Board of Education. Timone is now revealed as a man who associated himself publicly with pro-fascists, America Firsters and Christian Fronters at a public meeting.

This throws some interesting light on the recent furious attack made in the Council on the two Communist Councilmen, Pete Cacchione and Ben Davis, Jr. They are now proved doubly right. The resolution on Cardinal Spellman which they refused to support overlooked Cardinal Spellman's public association with the fascist Franco after the State Department showed that Franco had conspired with Germany against the United States.

We wonder what the City Councilmen who raved against the two Communist Councilmen for standing up for the American principle of separation of church and state will have to say now? We wonder if they will think it is all right for Cardinal Spellman to have suggested a man associated with the pro-fascist "isolationists" where anti-Semitism and race hatred are rampant.

The Hearst New York Daily Mirror could not answer this paper's argument that only the two Communist Councilmen really stood up for basic American democratic doctrine and true religious liberty. It lied that "communism is brutish."

But Communism gives scientific form to the noblest aspirations of mankind which has dreamed of a better world for ages.

Communism believes in liberating mankind from the brutish system where men and women must sell themselves to the wealthy few in a "labor market", as commodities. The Hearst Mirror could never understand such a vision where mankind will have economic security and true nobility. When the New York tugboat workers asked for a few extra nickels for their families, the Mirror spat in their faces. That was its typically Hearstian brutishness against American human beings not of the upper class.

Precisely

"Truman and Congress Stay At Odds Amiaably"—
Headline in Sunday's New York Times.



A 'Liberal' Outlook on Lynching

By CLAUDIA JONES

PM's editors recently asked Jennings Perry, editor of the Nashville Tennessean to do a "behind the scenes" story on the anti-Negro violence in Columbia, Tennessee.

Undoubtedly, this is in line with PM's taking up some issues affecting the Negro people. But since no editorial comment accompanied Mr. Perry's piece, it leads one to suspect that this is PM's "line" on this vital issue.

Perry complacently notes that there was nothing unusual for the Tennessee highway patrol to be rushed in to devastate and invade the Negro community. Of this Gestapo-like terror, he simply says that the same thing was being done "10 days ago" by the same state patrol "on the report that the Sheriff was being lynched" in another county where no Negroes live.

Here we have a typical bourgeois-liberal (acceptance of the status-quo) approach to the terror against the Negro people.

To put it another way: Mr. Perry is saying: "What is so bad anyway with the 'inexcusable nastiness' (his term for death and lynch terror against Negro citizens) on the part of the highway patrolmen and the government officials of Tennessee? They were only performing their duty."

AIDS WHITEWASH

This is nothing but an aid to the official whitewash of the lynchers of the Negro people in Tennessee, Freeport, Long Island, and elsewhere. It is an "equalization" of responsibility. It is a go-signal to the terrorist, pro-fascist hoodlums that they can expect protection from the powers-that-be in city and state governments.

Mr. Perry darn well knows that it is the Jimcrow conditions under which the Negro people live, that explains why, though in the nearby county, he so glibly mentions, there was no terror, there was terror against the Negro community in Columbia.

Mr. Perry's own comment further clinches this observation. He states: While it is true that all large cities in Tennessee "have their Harlems" a Negro "is seldom seen" in certain parts of Tennessee.

Well, why do we have "Har-

lems" in every city of the land? Is it because the Negro people want it so? It is because of Jimcrow and ghetto living conditions; of forcible exclusion (through written and unwritten laws) of Negroes from political, economic and social life. Hence, Mr. Perry's reference can be nothing more than a complete acquiescence and propping-up of the Jimcrow status of the Negro people.

'GOOD RELATIONS'

True, Mr. Perry takes pride in the ordinarily "good relations" between Negroes and whites in his state. He would not go so far as "the type of white politician" like U.S. Sen. Herman Ross who advocates "depriving the Negro of all civil rights till he can be sent back to Africa."

To say the least, it quite escapes Mr. Perry that Bilboism and imperialist propaganda are abetted by his "liberal" acceptance of the Jimcrow conditions under which the oppressed Negro people live. No wonder Mr. Perry can say "there is very little political discrimination . . . though Negroes never get elected to office."

It follows therefore that Perry's (and also PM's?) major conclusion is: there is really nothing to worry about in the spreading anti-Negro violence.

After all, Perry argues, the "race question has been here ever since the two races have." It is "an

ancient inherited problem." And what has "edged it?" The drive perhaps on the part of American imperialism to destroy the wartime gains of the Negro people and the working class? The use by American imperialists of the Hitlerite scapegoat tactic of lynch terror against the Negro people as they drive towards World War III?

No indeed! Perry considers "the worst fly in the ointment of race relations" the "departure of Negro women from the white kitchens" which has "stirred quite a white fury on the distaff side."

True, he says—and quite rightly—that Negro women "do not mean to go back if they can help it." But his whole polemic really grovels before the gods of imperialism and "white supremacy."

It is too late in history even for Perry, and PM to be making light of these incipient seeds of fascism in our own country. Instead of placing "equal blame" it is time to demand the speedy enforcement of official responsibility of the Deweyes and others for punishing the lynchers of Freeport, Long Island and Columbia, Tennessee.

Let us remember the lesson of the German people: History will not excuse those who help fascism either by "liberal excuses" or by the conscious use of the ideological weapon of "Aryan supremacy."

Worth Repeating

In the article "Oust the Trotskyites from the Labor Movement," Max Weiss writes: "In the developing strike movement, the Trotskyites have exerted all their efforts to prevent labor from achieving a unified strategy and action, especially of the Big Three—steel, auto and electrical. Under cover of a super-militancy, the Trotskyites try to make the trade unions easy victims of company provocation by advancing the theory that it makes no difference when and how strikes are called. This is a theory that plays directly into the hands of the corporations who try to provoke strikes at moments that are most favorable to the company and least favorable to the workers, whereas it is to the interests of the unions to choose the time for a strike in accordance with their own strategy and not with that of the employers." Political Affairs, February, 1946.

War Criminals Ganging in Trieste

Italian and Yugoslav war criminals are being imported into Trieste from Italy. They are organizing anti-Yugoslav forces to impress the Allied boundary commission which has just entered the disputed area.

This charge was made recently by Borba, Belgrade Communist newspaper, and released here by the Yugoslav Embassy.

One of the new Trieste imports, Borba revealed, is Michele Risolo, "a member of the Fascist Party since 1921, director of the fascist paper *Popolo d'Italia* and Mussolini's intimate friend."

Another is Desa Markovich, formerly attached to the headquarters of Yugoslav Draza Mihailovich, and "now employed in the Allied Bureau 'Patriotic Office'."

Borba asserted that since the influx of Ustachi, Chetniks, Slovene White Guards and Italian fascists the criminal columns of Trieste papers have been filled with reports of banditry, assaults on peaceful citizens, dope peddling.

BRITISH MP'S REPORT

After a visit to Trieste last November, 11 British Member of Parliament reported that "a strong section, some think a majority, of the Italian population desire to come under Yugoslav sovereignty on the terms offered by Marshal Tito."

In their report, just published here in full by the Yugoslav Embassy, the MPs said:

"The argument of the Italian workers is that Italy for them meant 20 years of fascism, social and political oppression and economic neglect. An international Trieste means for them an international regime run by the great powers, and they do not want that either."

"On the other hand, when the Yugoslavs occupied the town, the Italian workers had a taste of the Yugoslav conception of liberty which consisted in taking over the factories and purging them of fascist management, foremen etc., and starting social activities, including a house building program."

"They believe that on the terms Yugoslavia is offering them, Trieste would get full employment for its harbor and shipbuilding yards... which it would not get if divorced from its economic hinterland and deprived of Yugoslav good will... They are quite satisfied with the federal status offered them in the new Yugoslav state."

TOGLIATTI'S REPORT

In his report to the Italian Communist Party congress on Dec. 29, Justice Minister Palmiro Togliatti said he could appreciate why the Trieste workers want to be part of Yugoslavia, but differed with them.

"We have always affirmed the Italian nature of Trieste," the Italian C. P. secretary said, "but at the same time we maintain that this question must be solved in agreement with the Yugoslav people..."

"We have told the workers of Trieste that we understand their position. When we see fascism and

fascist tendencies reviving in Italy; when we think that if tomorrow Trieste were to be governed by one of our prefects it would again be subjected to the burning of labor centers, newspapers and all the other acts of violence it knew from the fascists—then we can understand their perplexity and they don't regard Italy with friendship... But we don't approve their solution..."

"We maintain that the workers of Trieste should fight together with us against Italian reactionary forces and act as mediators between the two peoples to find a solution to this problem... This solution must eliminate any motive for disagreement between the two peoples and extinguish every spark of nationalist struggle on one or the other side and permit a permanent work of peace to be undertaken."

More Unions Rap Churchill

The labor movement yesterday continued to react to the speech of Winston Churchill at Fulton, Mo., last week with resolutions assailing the demand for a new anti-Comintern axis.

The Milwaukee Industrial Union Council said, "It is time President Truman began acting like Roosevelt instead of like Hoover. We particularly protest his support of the speech by the British Tory Winston Churchill. Churchill called for a US-British coalition against the Soviet Union and the rising democracies of Eastern Europe just as Hitler used to call for a coalition of 'Western Civilization' against 'Eastern barbarism'."

In Philadelphia the United CIO and Professional Workers, CIO, wrote, "We are amazed that you permitted Mr. Churchill to spew forth such utterances, which can only endanger world peace. World Security is possible only if we have unity of the Big Three and a functioning United Nations Organization."

In New York, white collar workers of Local 1 of the same union demanded that "Churchill be sent back to England! The people of America remember Stalingrad and the heroic Red Army and Soviet people who saved the world from fascism."

The Communist Party of the District of Columbia sent a blistering wire protesting the President's "sponsorship of Churchill's warmongering speech calling for an Anglo-US alliance to dominate the world."

Army Wives, Kids Enroute to Hawaii

SAN FRANCISCO, March 10 (UP).—Ninety-eight wives and children of American servicemen stationed in the Hawaiian Islands left here today aboard the liner President Hayes. The ship also carried 600 Army replacements and 47 military patients with homes in the islands.

Wire mesh was placed around the decks and railings to prevent small children from falling overboard. Cribs, toys and playthings have been provided by the Navy.

300,000 March in Budapest To Safeguard Real Democracy

"Three hundred thousand Hungarians marched in Budapest Thursday to launch a 'struggle for democracy against the machinations of reaction,' Radio Moscow reported.

Spokesmen for the Hungarian Independence Front, the labor movement and left wing parties in-

Atomic Control Dims as U. S. Reneges on Pledge to UNO

WASHINGTON, March 10 (UP).—The United States is delaying creation of the United Nations Atomic Commission by failure to name its representative, it was revealed tonight.

There is suspicion in some quarters that rivalry among American military men, scientists and diplomats for the post is chiefly responsible although only last night a cleavage developed between the White House and War Department. Another major factor, it was said, is failure of Congress and high administration officials to agree on a domestic control program.

Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson last night endorsed unreservedly a pending bill which has been criticized as giving domestic control to the military. President Truman, on the other hand, advocates another measure which emphasizes civilian control.

It is understood that this division extends to other levels with respect

to the government's policy toward the UNO's International Commission.

The United States had been expected to lead all nations in naming its representative inasmuch as this government pressed at London for approval without debate of the atomic resolution.

But UNO nations are still waiting for the United States. Their appointments are being upheld until they know what type of man will represent this country.

Byrnes was the major advocate at London of UNO approval of the resolution—without amendment and without debate. His advice to the Assembly then was that the rest of the world would never understand prolonged debate or delay over crea-

tion of the commission.

That was on Jan. 21. Today—49 days later—neither the President nor Byrnes has taken any action.

Army Screening DPs; Prisoners

FRANKFURT, March 10 (UP).—U. S. Army investigators are carrying out a "screening" program among 325,000 displaced persons in American zone camps in an effort to find collaborators, Nazis and hostile enemy Nationals, it was reported officially today.

The housecleaning began last month, Maj. Gen. Clarence L. Adcock, U. S. Military Government director, said the investigations would also turn up many "free boarders and lodgers" who are living in the D. P. camps at the expense of American taxpayers.

Adcock said he could not estimate what percentage of the D. P.'s would be exposed as war criminals or collaborators. He said those who refused to be sent home and those who were Nazis or German sympathizers would be ousted from the camps to live as German citizens do.

Collaborators, war criminals or other persons against whom an Allied nation can present a clear case will be handed over for prosecution. Jews, stateless persons and those who still oppose the Germans but are unable to return to their homes will be allowed to remain in the camps until homes can be found or governmental policies otherwise determine their fate.

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CP Vets Assail War Dep't Slander

Declaring that the interests of a few big bankers and industrialists are not the national interests of the American people, the National Veterans Committee of the Communist Party yesterday condemned the War Department ruling barring Communists from holding commissions on "sensitive" positions in the U. S. Army.

The text of the Committee statement follows:

In the name of 15,000 Communists who fought in America's armed forces in World War II, we vehemently protest against the War Department ruling barring Communists from holding commissions or positions of trust in the U. S. Army. We consider this action to be a vile slander against our proven loyalty to democratic principles, our patriotism, and record in the struggle against fascism. It is an insult to the hundreds of our members who died on the battlefield.

Our record in the recent war is second to none. We are proud of the fact that we number in our ranks numerous recipients of the Distinguished Service Cross such as Capt. Herman Bottcher (outstanding hero of the Pacific; killed in action) and Robert Thompson, of the Legion of Merit such as Capt. Irving Goff, of the Silver Star such as Samuel Harrison Banks (killed in action), Joseph Clark, and of countless Purple Hearts and Bronze Stars.

There is a good reason for the splendid war record of the Communists. As Communists we have always hated and opposed fascism.

"Our future will be a career army rather than a democratic army, which we had during the war."

Lt. Gen. John C. H. Lee, commander Mediterranean Theatre, commenting on decision to censor GI letters to Stars and Stripes March 6.

Five years before our country began to fight the Nazis, thousands of American Communists volunteered for the Lincoln Brigade and laid down their lives fighting Franco, Hitler, and Mussolini in Spain.

What we fought for yesterday we fight for today and will keep on fighting for until fascism and oppression are fully done away with. Not the Communists but the American trusts and the War Dept., carrying out their dictates, are "subversive" of the democratic aims for which we fought in this war. We want to follow up the victory by wiping out all vestiges of fascism, but the American bankers are ready to destroy our hard won freedom and even the peace of the world for the sake of world domination.

Churchill let the cat out of the bag at Fulton, Mo., and exposed the real aims of British and American imperialism. Hardly out of uniform the danger of war again looms before us. But the war Churchill wants is not a war for

freedom but for the selfish interests and profits of American monopolies and to save the rotting British Empire. We veterans will fight to prevent such a war to our dying breath. We do not identify the interests of the American people with the aims of a few big banks.

The War Department ruling against the Communists is part of this preparation for war for profit and empire. The War Department is doing everything to transform the citizen army that defeated fascism into a reliable instrument for imperialist expansion. The ruling is not only directed against us. Long experience with the Hitler-like tactics of the Dies and Rankin Committees forewarns the American people that the words "subversive" and "disloyal" are applied not to real fascist traitors but to all democratic-minded, peace loving and progressive people.

Discrimination against Communists has been followed by the im-

posing of a rigid censorship over Army newspapers, by the removal of editors, Communist and non-Communists, who insisted on being honest and truthful, by the restriction and emasculation of the anti-fascist orientation and education program, by the breaking and punishment of soldiers using legitimate means of protest against delay in redeployment, etc.

All progressive Americans, especially veterans, must recognize in this ruling of the War Department a threat to our peace and democratic liberties. We call upon you to join in our protest. Demand a reversal of the ruling. Protect the democratic rights of the soldiers. Fight to preserve peace and liberty. Protest to President Truman, Secretary of War Patterson, your Senators and Congressmen, your newspapers.

National Veterans Committee, Communist Party.

Robert Thompson, Henry Winston, John Gates, Saul Wellman, Irving Goff, Joseph Clark.

Mich. CP Seeks 600 Recruits

DETROIT, March 10.—The State Committee of the Michigan Communist Party has set a goal of 600 members by June 1 and called upon the entire membership to raise \$10,000 by July 4 to cover election campaign expenses, Daily Worker Fund Drive and convention finances.

The State Committee meeting launched a campaign to obtain 20,000 signatures to place the Michigan Party on the state ballot for the 1946 election. Signatures must be in the hands of the Secretary of State by April 23.

Transit Arbitrators To Meet Today

Mayor O'Dwyer's special committee, named to arbitrate demands made by the CIO Transport Workers Union on behalf of 32,000 transit workers, will hold public hearings where workers may present grievances, it was learned yesterday.

CP ORGANIZATIONS BACK EXPULSION OF BROWDER

An enlarged District Committee meeting of the Communist Party in Maryland and the District of Columbia endorsed the expulsion of Earl Browder as a renegade and a traitor and branded him "an enemy of the party and working class."

"Browderism represents an alien class ideology serving monopoly capitalism and acting as an apologist for American imperialist aggression abroad," said the resolution adopted there.

The Kings County (N. Y.) unanimously endorsed the National Committee's expulsion of Browder at a recent meeting, and similar action was taken by Bensonhurst and Kings Highway section conventions. Seventy-six delegates attending a section convention in Chelsea in Manhattan voted Browder's recent "appeal" to the party members a "blatant example of betrayal" and declared the expulsion "unquestionably correct."

The Eastern Pennsylvania District Committee approved the expulsion and voted to mobilize the entire membership for "an uncompromising struggle against the anti-Marxist line of Browder."

The Seamen's Club of San Pedro, Calif., part of the Los Angeles section of the Communist Party, voted to commend the National Committee for its action and decided to make the expulsion the subject of future educational discussion. In St. Louis, officers and members of the Missouri State Committee greeted the decision to expel Browder and said they considered Browderism "an instrument of the bourgeoisie aimed to cheat the American people and tollers of other lands out of the fruits of anti-fascist victory." Their resolution said Browder revisionism was the "1946 edition of Kautsky-Bernstein-McDonald-Hillquitism aimed to disarm the working class."

STRIKEBOUND LAMP TRUST FACES U.S. JUDGE TODAY

The General Electric Co. and the Westinghouse Electrical Manufacturing Co., which pose as defenders of "free enterprise," will face U. S. prosecution in Federal court in Trenton, N. J., today (Monday) on charges of unlawful conspiracy to monopolize the American lamp industry.

The companies, whose 175,000 workers have been on strike since Jan. 16 for a wage increase, are accused by the Department of Justice of keeping a stranglehold on the manufacture, distribution and sale of lamps, lamp parts and machines to make them and of driving competitors out of business through "costly but effective" law suits.

The companies are accused of mulcting the general public by "reducing the life of lamps in order to increase the volume of business," that is, after forcing competitors to leave the field and cornering the market, they then reportedly got together to put out lamps that wouldn't give much service so that consumers would have to keep buy-

ing new ones to replace them. The Corning Glass Co., Corning, N. Y., which had been named as a co-defendant in the case, has taken a "consent decree" which in legal language means pleading guilty. Effect of such a consent by the company is agreement to entry of court orders against the firm under penalty of punishment if offenses are repeated.

Here are a few choice bits from the U. S. complaint, charging violation of anti-trust laws by GE and Westinghouse:

1—"At the present time, GE and Westinghouse directly control the manufacture of and otherwise govern from producer to consumer the trade in approximately 90 percent of the dollar volume and approximately 87 percent of the quantity of large type lamps, manufactured, distributed and sold in the United States."

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The Negro in Hollywood Films

Exploiting the Negro For Comedy Relief

— by David Platt —

IT IS common knowledge that the Negro has not been admitted to the full range of human experience in the films. Even during the war in which the Negro fought side by side with his white brother to free the world from fascist slavery, the films exploited him mainly for comedy relief. Negro soldiers in New Guinea last summer expressed



resentment toward some of these unsavory films by walking out of a GI theatre in large numbers. Hollywood films like *Three's a Family* and *Hi Debutiful* in which the popular actress Hattie McDaniel popped her eyes and clowning, are doing a vast disservice to the development of race relations, the Negro soldiery contended. Their anger and indignation is shared by many whites. It is time to join hands to curb Jimcrow on the screen.

What are the principal stereotypes of the Negro circulated to the far corners of the globe by the bourgeois film? He is the Stepinfetchit clown who shuffles lazily through life; the devoted slave who refuses to be freed; the convict who goes to his death singing a spiritual; the African who runs from the jaguar while his white employer stands his ground and slaughters the beast; the scary fellow who trembles before a white sheet; the mental inferior who cannot pronounce words of more than one syllable; the care-free maid who licks the hand of her white mistress. He is the natural-born cook, the superstitious church-goer, the razor and knife "toter," the chicken and watermelon eater, the social delinquent, the petty thief, the vicious criminal.

The stereotypes prevail despite the Negro people's great cultural and scientific accomplishments. The films simply do not recognize the existence of Negro artists, machinists, factory workers, farmers, mechanics, sculptors, scientists, mechanical and civil engineers, cabinet-makers, librarians, inventors, lawyers, nurses, firemen, architects, teachers, college, presidents, editors, reporters, photographers, physicians, clergymen, dressmakers barbers and secretaries.

The systematic failure to portray the Negro as he is in real life, the persistent typing of Negroes as menials and buffoons, all this is a reflection of the divide-and-rule policy of the class in power. It is no accident that the films constantly link Negroes to vice and villainy. The bourgeoisie discovered long ago that the movie was one of the most effective instruments for creating prejudice between Negro and white, for making a breach in the working class.

Dr. L. D. Reddick, curator of the Schomburg Collection of the New York Public Library recently examined a check list of 100 outstanding Hollywood films which have included Negro themes or Negro characters of more than the usual significance. He found that 75 of them "must be classified as anti-Negro, 13 as neutral—with favorable and unfavorable scenes—and only 12 as definitely pro-Negro." These figures indicate the main tendencies which must be fought today.

The practice of caricaturing the entire Negro people as part of the general Jimcrow strategy of the employing class, goes back to the very beginning of film history, when the movies were principally "peep-shows."

In 1903, Lumiere of France exhibited a film in this country with the brutal title *Niggers Bathing*. It was advertised as a "humorous" subject. Time marches on! In 1946, 20th Century Fox shipped overseas an Agatha Christie mystery film called *Ten Little Niggers*. All in fun. All at the expense of 13,000,000 American citizens fighting for equality. In 1904, Thomas Edison presented *Ten Pickaninnies*, forerunner of our Gang comedies. The nameless Negro children were referred to callously as "snowballs, cherubs, coons, had chillun, inky kids, smoky kids, black lambs, cute ebonites, chubby coonlets."

More insidious were the films showing the Negro as a chicken and watermelon thief. The very titles—*"Rastus and Chickens," "How Rastus Got His Turkey," "Pickaninnies and Watermelon,"* suggest the vicious prejudices circulated by these low comedies. One art-for-art's sake critic of the silent era went so far as to praise the magnificent photography in the anti-Negro film *"Chicken Thief."* The end of this shocking movie showed the Negro being brought down with a load of buckshot. Very wonderful photography. The Negro slave films which followed were just as rotten.

Vitaphone's *The Slave*, released in 1907, justified the lynching of a young Negro slave for killing a brutal over-couraged manhandling a white girl. "There can be no extenuating circumstances when a Negro lays hands on a white man." The old fairy tale that the Negro enjoyed his lot as a slave was the theme of *Confederate Spy* (1910). At the end, Uncle Daniel, a Negro spy for the South, died before a Northern firing squad, happy in the thought that "I did it for fassa' sake and little miss."

The black blood-white blood-will-not-mix theme made familiar by Jeff Davis and A. Hitler appeared in *The Octoroon*, in *Slavery Days* and in *Humanity's Cause*. All three portrayed the tragedy that befell a white man with a few drops of Negro blood in his veins. Uncle Tom's Cabin saw the light as a movie in 1910. Of course the slashing indictment of slavery in the original Harriet Beecher Stowe novel was considerably softened up for the southern market. Edward Sheldon's play *The Nigger* was filmed as *The Governor*. Behind its "noble" sentiments toward the Negro was a calculated attack on miscegenation, intermarriage. In 1915, David Wark Griffith, America's outstanding director produced *Birth of a Nation*, the most vicious anti-Negro picture in our history.

(Continued Tomorrow)



PHILADELPHIA BOUND: Lawrence Winter and Bruce Howard, who have leading roles in "Call Me Mister," a new musical revue scheduled to open at Philadelphia's Forrest Theatre March 18.

The Story of a Fabulous Paper

By JOSEPH CLARK

The current censorship and suppression of GI opinion in *Stars and Stripes* is highlighted by the entire history of the newspaper. The lads had their troubles even during combat.

Staffers Hutton and Rooney have written a vastly amusing story, informative, but lacking in the very thing which often blunted "The Stripes" as an effective weapon for the GI. Hutton and Rooney were always allergic to any attempts to probe into the backgrounds of the war and to write about why we fight. Their fight against the stupidities of the brass is illuminating; their struggle against allowing anything on why and how we fight to enter the columns of the paper is dim.

You're with the lads when they tell about the impossible Colonel Llewellyn who crusaded for the wearing of the ETO spinach by the staffers. A lowly lieutenant on the Stripes business staff ousted a direct order to wear all the ribbons he was entitled to; the Colonel was taken aback by a display of three rows of ribbons including the Medal of Honor of the Spanish Loyalists.

But you're not with the boys when they describe their campaign against those articles which described the way a rifle squad fought and lived together in combat.

You're with them when they describe Patton's attempts to suppress Bill Mauldin's cartoons and efforts to kick that lovable rascal sketched by Wingert out of the paper.

ANTI-FASCIST EDUCATORS

WOULD HAVE SOFTER But what is so terrible about articles which explain why the soldier must stay and fight when all his desires are for a quick trip home? Sure it was stupid when the orientation folks labeled one of those articles "So You Want to Go Home." But there would have been less of a morale problem if anti-fascist education had been an integral part of the responsibility of leadership in combat.

Hutton and Rooney show how the best news in the Stripes was written by men who went out with the front line dough, flew with the combat airmen, and jumped with the airborne troopers. But there's something a newspaper man, even a front line Joe himself should never forget.

LACK OF CONTACT WITH THE FRONT LINES

The dogface doesn't get back to the rear to write up a story. He's stuck with the enemy, for the duration. Not that there is anything wrong with going back to put out a newspaper; it's as important as any job in combat. But it can lead to the kind of boners which appeared in the Stripes and often infuriated the men.

Ed Clark was a good journalist. He moved with front line troops. He was in Strassburg when American troops had left and the Stars and Stripes remained behind, together with the French FFP of course.

But 7th Army doughs holed up at the Maginot line will always bear

THE STORY OF THE STARS AND STRIPES, by Bud Hutton and Andy Rooney. Rinehart and Co., Inc.

a grudge against Clark. It was Ed Clark who said you could crumble the Maginot line forts with a lead pencil. That appeared in the Stripes when thousands of men were falling in the fight to take those forts. It was written while 8 inch shells and even 340s were glancing off the forts as though they were 30 cal. rounds. That doesn't make the Stripes a bad paper. But it does explain why the GI often vented his spleen against the paper.

THE BIG NEWS WAS THE RUSSIAN STORY

There's one phrase in this book which tells a big story and is a lesson for folks to study and remember. "The doughboys' favorite reading" in the Stripes, Hutton and Rooney report, was the Russian story. How much have the Russians gained? That was the question and that was the tie that bound these men to the Red Armyman. The guy who had to fight the German, gun in hand, knows that he and his country never had a friend and ally to compare with the Red Army and the Soviet Union.

When the unofficial Army and Navy Journal criticized the Soviet Union for driving in the Baltic and the Balkans late in '44 Stars and Stripes told off those armchair generals:

"Stalin's record proves him to be the champion Nazi-killer of the world. Reds have killed more Nazis than all the rest of us put together. . . .

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Three to Make Ready is Ray Bolger's show. The audience sits breathless through his wonderful dancing and waits impatiently for his return, in between. The lavish sets, elaborate costuming, and the skills in this new musical revue all add up to a big Broadway job that hasn't a chance of folding—it's the big old Broadway Christmas tree minus none of the trimmings and, like a Christmas tree, it's in the formula of standard successes.

Missing in this musical are any tunes to remember. The skills are uneven—some quite funny, others unfunny as the devil, with real low-level wit at times. But none of the obvious defects (including a hack radio man named Arthur Godfrey, whose humor is on the early morning radio program level) can take much away from a show that stars Ray Bolger.

Not only is Bolger a magnificent dancer, with a combination of delicacy and humor, which amounts to some of the most wonderful satire we have seen in the dance, but he is one of the funniest comedians in the business. His "bad sack" number in this show is terrific. He is the George Baker character come to life in this Chaplinesque skit of the "sack" trying to get a boat home.

One of the high spots of the show is "Wisconsin, or Kenosha Canoe," a satire on Oklahoma and Carousel. Another is Bolger's "Wizard of Oz" number, which loses nothing down the years.

Two other people in the show share second honors. They are Brenda Forbes, a swell comedienne with a whole set of broad-comedy stuff, and Harold Lang, a beautiful dancer, too.

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worry—we'd cheer."

When the reactionaries started where Hitler left off, after the war and began to beat the drums against the Soviet Union, Stars and Stripes spoke up for the doughboys' friends, the Red Army and the Soviet Union.

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B'klyn D. A. Must Probe Knifings By Anti-Semites, Cacchione Says

City Councilman Peter V. Cacchione yesterday demanded an immediate probe into the stabbing of a Jewish boy by fascist hoodlums last Tuesday.

The youth, Irwin Berman, 16, of 2109 Eighth St., Brooklyn, was reported by Israel Zion Hospital yesterday in a "fairly good" condition. He and two friends were accosted by a gang of 20 hoodlums after they left the Jewish Community House at 79th St. and Bay Parkway at 10 p. m. Five of the hoodlums cornered the three in an apartment house foyer where young Berman was stabbed with a penknife.

The five assailants were arrested Saturday on juvenile delinquency charges.

CALLS FOR INVESTIGATION

The Communist Councilman yesterday demanded that Brooklyn's District Attorney, Miles F. McDonald, make the probe.

"This disgraceful attack emanates from fascist hoodlums," he said. "The Avenue U section in Bensonhurst has one of the strongest Italian fascist organizations in the city. This fascist action is one of a series of outrages continually going on."

In the same neighborhood, Cacchione said, a Jewish boy was so intimidated by hoodlums that he was forced to transfer to another school. He also described attacks against Jewish citizens at Bay Parkway and 75th St.

The two Jewish youths accosted with young Berman were Morris Goldstein, 15, of 8015 Bay Parkway, and Arthur Levinson, 15 of 2144 82nd St., both of Brooklyn.

Of the five youths arrested, two were 14 and three 15 years old.

'Oust Timone' 5,000 Parents Urge O'Dwyer

Five thousand Brooklyn parents yesterday demanded the immediate removal of George A. Timone, Franco supporter, from the Board of Education. O'Dwyer chose Timone last week at the behest of Cardinal Spellman.

In an angry wire to the Mayor, the parents protested a selection made on the basis of religious affiliations. Other groups have likewise protested the pro-Christian Front character of the appointee, and have demanded parent, labor and Negro representation on the board.

The parents spoke through Parents United Against Bigotry in the Schools. The wire to the Mayor, signed by Mrs. Evelyn Tyler, executive-secretary of the organization, denounced the appointment as an "affront" to both parents and children, and said:

"The future of public school children must no longer be controlled by persons chosen on the basis of religious affiliation, who are apathetic to the basic needs, both physical and intellectual, of the city's children.

"Disappointment, following directly on the heels of the reinstatement of May A. Quinn (pro-fascist teacher) underscores the need to pass Assemblyman Hulan Jack's bill (A. I. 404—State Legislature) calling for an elected Board of Education.

"We demand the immediate removal of George A. Timone."

As has been revealed in the press, Timone sponsored a meeting at which mention of Hitler, Mussolini and Franco drew wild applause. The meeting took place Feb. 19, 1939, at the 107th Infantry Regiment Armory, under the sponsorship of the Christian Front.

Ford Workers Eye Contract

Special to the Daily Worker

DETROIT, March 10.—In a decision indicating a wary attitude toward giving the Ford corporation any wedge into union affairs, the Ford National Council decided to vote on the Ford contract clause by clause instead of as a whole.

The council represents through its 33 locals about 130,000 Ford workers.

Any sections not approved will go back for re-negotiation, the Council voted.

Such issues as "company security," fines for workers not meeting "production standards," and the breaking down of accumulated seniority, which the Ford workers are watching with great caution will also go back to the Council for approval.

U. S.-Soviets Can Guarantee Peace, Stalin Declared

Marshal Joseph Stalin stressed the necessity for peace and friendship between the Soviet Union and the United States in a recent 90 minute interview with Leo Krzycki, president of the American Slav Congress.

"America and the Soviet Union are THE two countries capable of guaranteeing peace in the world," Krzycki quoted Stalin.

"They have the power and wealth and are placed in the fortunate position of having everything they need; they do not covet that which belongs to others."

Krzycki, who just returned from an extended trip to the Soviet Union, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia and Bulgaria, addressed a dinner in his honor at the Hotel Astor last night.

He contrasted Stalin's emphasis on peace with Winston Churchill's call "for a holy war against the Soviet Union."

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"Churchill has become the champion of the past," he declared, "Stalin—the torch-bearer of the future." Describing a 36-day stay in the

Soviet Union, the American Slav leader said:

"It is my distinct impression that the Soviet system rests primarily on labor, culture, care of mother and child, and the struggle for peace. I can assure you that mankind would have no reason to fear new wars if all other states rested on similar foundations. No matter what Churchill or our own reactionaries may think or say, Soviet Russia, far from being a threat, is a tower of peace."

"Her great influence today in Eastern Europe and elsewhere is not based on any propaganda, but on the magnetic attraction she exerts over neighboring peoples as a result of her great contribution to the downfall of Nazism and because of her socialistic system."

"For, let us make no mistake, the peoples of Europe are all gravitating toward socialism, toward pro-

duction for use, some faster others slower. They have broken with their past, built on profits and exploitation, and are firmly determined to create a civilization where the common man will be king."

Soft Coal Wage Group Meeting

The United Mine Workers' 200-man wage policy committee assembled today to begin framing demands for the soft coal industry.

The full list of demands will be presented to the operators at a joint conference on Wednesday. It centers around higher wages, a shorter work week, unionization of supervisory workers, and a 10 cents-a-ton royalty on all coal dug.

The UMWA has notified the government under the War Labor Disputes act that it may strike by April 2 to enforce these demands.

Was HE Subversive?

An Editorial

Reprinted from late editions of yesterday's 'Worker.'

The War Department has chosen this moment in history to issue an order barring "subversive" persons from serving in all "sensitive" positions.

The press interpret this order as applying not to real subversives like fascists, but to Communists (the order itself does not mention Communists).

We ask the Army if it is now calling "subversive" those thousands of Communists and progressive trade unionists who served so well in the war so recently won? The hundreds decorated for bravery? The thousands who gave their lives in battle?

Will they call "subversive" Capt. Herman Bottcher, well-known Communist? Bottcher is shown above being awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, the nation's second highest award, by Maj. Gen. William H. Gill for extraordinary heroism and leadership against the Japanese. Bottcher entered the war a buck private. For his superb leadership in the Buna, New Guinea, campaign he was given a field commission, jumping from sergeant to a captain's command. Bottcher's Corner is still marked in New Guinea as the place where Herman Bottcher, Communist and veteran of the Spanish war against fascism, led a glorious struggle.

Bottcher is not here to answer the War Department. He lies at peace in Leyte, where he was killed by a Japanese knee mortar in January, 1945, while leading his men on patrol.

Was Bottcher "subversive"?

Does he lie in a "subversive" grave?

Neither the War Department or anyone else can desecrate the grave on Leyte where lies this hero of the war against fascism. No one can tarnish the glory of the thousands of Communists who fought valiantly with their fellow-Americans of other political creeds against the scourge of mankind, fascism.

